

WENT DOWN TO THE SEA TO DIE

A. J. SCHEM'S BODY FOUND ON THE BEACH AT ROCKAWAY.

Uncertain Whether He Drank Acid or Drowned Himself—The Romance of His Marriage—A Weirdest Presentation on the Day His Wedding Took Place.

The body of Alexander J. Schem, former town attorney of West Hoboken and counsel for and a director of the Commonwealth Trust Company of West Hoboken, was found on the beach at the foot of Oriental avenue, Belle Harbor, Rockaway, yesterday morning. The police and coroner say that the death was a suicide. There is a diversity of opinion regarding the method used. Coroner A. J. Ambler and the police say that there were evidences of acid on the man's lips and that he had drunk it. Coroner's physician William H. Nammark of Far Rockaway declaring that he found no such evidence and that the man undoubtedly drowned himself. The probable reason for the act as suggested to the coroner by relatives was heart trouble, about which Schem was said to be much worried. He was 27 years old.

Schem appeared at the Park Inn, Rockaway Park, at 5 o'clock on Monday afternoon and engaged a room and bath. He paid for the night's lodging in advance and told the manager that two grips would be along yesterday. He carried no baggage. He registered as William R. Meyer. The manager noted that Schem had a large roll of bills when he paid for his room. He thought it amounted to several hundred dollars. No money was turned over to the coroner with the other effects of the dead man and the police said they found no money in his pockets.

He spent the evening by himself around the inn. He went to his room in the latter part of the evening and wrote three letters—one to his mother, which he addressed on the envelope by the name "Mother," one to his wife, on the envelope of which he wrote "V. and one to his uncle, Julius H. Schem, proprietor of the Sansara Hotel at Rockaway Beach. The letters to his mother and his wife he left in his room at the Park Inn. The letter to his uncle was found in his pocket. This letter was the only letter the coroner read. In it, according to the coroner, Schem said that he was very sorry to cause his mother so much trouble and asked the uncle to attend to some affairs for him, also sending love to his mother and his wife.

Schem left the Park Inn at 11:30 o'clock yesterday morning early bathers found the body on the beach close to the water's edge. It was taken to an undertaker's rooms and will be sent to Schem's home at 613 West Charles street, West Hoboken. Schem was a bride of last March, accompanied by his sister, Alice, who was an athletic man and a strong swimmer. Last summer he was canoeing in the Adirondacks and saw another canoeist. He was a young woman, whose name was Miss Viola Maples of 38 Macdon street, Brooklyn, and on March 14 last they were married at the bride's home.

While Schem was eating his luncheon in the Cafe Maxim at Union Hill on the day of the wedding Max Brandenberg, the proprietor, and several of Schem's friends marched into the room, dressed in black and carrying candles and a coffin. Inside the coffin was a large cut glass vase, which was presented to Schem. The object bore this inscription: "Alexander J. Schem, bachelor, age 22. Born to greatness. Died in holiness. Departed this life, a single blessedness, a victim of a lovely maiden. Good luck to the Swede."

CHARGED WITH ABDUCTION.

Travelling Man Held Here for Running Away With Philadelphia Girl.

Arthur P. Clark, 31 years old, who tells the police he is a travelling man, faced a charge of abduction when brought before Magistrate Corrigan in the West Side court yesterday, and in order to give the police an opportunity to obtain more evidence was held in \$2,000 bail for examination to-morrow.

Clark was arrested at the Hotel Gerard, 122 West Forty-fourth street, yesterday afternoon by two headquarters detectives on complaint of the girl's father, Benjamin Sherwood, who came on to New York to secure the apprehension of the man. He was with the detectives when they made the arrest. His home is at 4572 Ditman avenue in the Frankfort section of Philadelphia. He is a salesman.

Myrtle Sherwood, his daughter, and her parents have been to the police and said to be critically ill. Neither her father nor the detective would say much about the case yesterday, but from what could be learned her condition is such that she could not be questioned at any very great length.

It was on June 2 the father said, that Myrtle and Clark fled to the floor in the room on the street of their city by Clark. He is alleged to have induced the other little girl to leave them by giving her money. Clark had been in the city for a week ago the girl wrote to her parents that she was at the Gerard in mortal fear of her father and begged them to come and take her away. They did not come last Friday and immediately returned the girl to her home.

Then Mr. Sherwood came back to this city to effect the arrest of Clark. With Detectives Williams and Stapleton he paid three visits to the Gerard and found Clark yesterday. The father declares that Myrtle told him that Clark was under some hypnotic influence over her. In the hotel she was known as Mrs. Cole, the detectives say. The detectives are also responsible for the arrest of Clark. Clark threatened and intimidated her.

Clark took his arrest coolly. When Magistrate Corrigan consented to hold him for forty-eight hours he inquired the amount of bail and then tried to arrange to secure his release by having the bonds furnished in the night court later.

The management at the Hotel Gerard promised to know very little about the case. They admitted having had a couple who stopped at the hotel under the name of Cole.

"But they were only transients," said the manager, "and we knew very little of them. They remained here only a few days."

Auto Driven by Woman Hit by Two Cars.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., July 25. Mrs. Clarence Hodson, whose husband is a broker at 828 Broad street, Newark, was injured today when an automobile she was driving was struck by two trolley cars on Montclair avenue. She was thrown from the car and her husband was injured by the machine when the trolley cars struck when a westbound trolley car struck the automobile and forced it onto the eastbound tracks in front of another.

The second car hit the automobile toward the curb and Mrs. Hodson was thrown over the steering wheel. She was severely injured and was carried to the Park of Montclair. Her injuries are not serious. The automobile was badly damaged.

CAPT. McALLISTER ASSAULTED.

Attacked by Gang of Toughs as He Came Out of His Office.

Capt. Daniel McAllister, president of the McAllister Steamboat Company, is laid up at his home, 108 Kent avenue, Williamsburg, as the result of an assault made upon him on Monday night. Three men were arrested. They are John Pausin, 23 years old, of 227 North Seventh street; James Murphy, 29, of 156 Withers street; and Thomas Gerrity, 21, who lives at 197 North Seventh street. They were arraigned yesterday before Magistrate Nash in the Manhattan avenue police court and held in \$1,500 bail each.

Capt. McAllister, who is 60 years old, made up the payroll for the crew working for the company on Monday night. He was assisted by his sons, John and James. The office of the company is at 151 India street. It was close to midnight when the crews were paid off. McAllister and his sons started for their home when the former remembered that he had forgotten a parcel of mail. He returned to the office and his sons continued their walk home. As McAllister stepped from his office and locked the door he was set upon by a group of young men, one of whom struck him over the head with a club, cutting his scalp. McAllister was knocked down and beaten. His cries for help were heard by his sons, who went to their father's aid and pitched into his assailants.

The gang took to their heels and the sons of the captain followed them. A physician, who was called said that probably McAllister's skull was fractured. The sons furnished the police with a description of the assailants and were able to follow the gang. The police were unable to appear in court. The prisoners denied all knowledge of the assault.

CHICK EVANS BEATEN.

Put Out of Western Championship by Phelps.

DETROIT, July 25.—Paul Hunter of Chicago won the Western Golf Association championship at the Detroit Golf Club. His rounds were 51, 73, the latter a new record here. Chick Evans finished third with 157, 160, 161, 162, while Albert Seckel, the 1909 intercollegiate champion, who led on Monday with a 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

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